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the fact that his work pertains mostly to the Southwest. However, the Northwest has an interest in the book. The author discusses Jefferson's ideas as to the inclusion of Oregon in the Louisiana Purchase (p. 14), the United States claims to Oregon (pp. 55 and 59) and Spain's admission to a claim to Oregon (p. 60).

The book carries thirty maps, Map No. 20, facing page 66, gives in graphic form the author's careful study of the boundaries sought to be adjusted in the Florida Purchase Treaty of 1819, by which the southern boundary of the Oregon country was defined.

CALIFORNIA THE WONDERFUL, WITH GLIMPSES OF OREGON AND WASHINGTON. By Edwin Markham. (New York, Hearst's International Library Company, 1914. Pp. 400. \$2.50.)

Edwin Markham, the well known author of "The Man With the Hoe," is distinctly a western man. He was born in the Willamette Valley, Oregon, of parents who came overland by ox team in the year 1847. One of his earliest recollections is of being lifted up in the sanctuary of a church in Oregon City and of gazing down on the dead face of Dr. John McLoughlin, "The Father of Oregon." After forty years lived in the State of California, Mr. Markham is eminently qualified to write the present volume. Its appearance at this time is doubtless due to the high class publicity campaign that has been carried on by the management of the San Francisco Exposition. Some twenty pages are devoted to Oregon and Washington. The style is popular, but much attention is paid to the history of the country described.

THE END OF THE TRAIL, THE FAR WEST FROM NEW MEXICO TO BRITISH COLUMBIA. By E. Alexander Powell, F. R. G. S. (New York, Charles Scribner's Sons, 1914. Pp. xiii, 462. \$3.00 net.)

"See America First," as a slogan will be obeyed this year on account of the great war in Europe. This book is one of the kind that will stimulate that wholesome idea of greater appreciation for the charms of our own land. We, of the "Pacific Rim," feel that the book is devoted to one of the most beautiful and most attractive portions of the planet.

The book carries 48 illustrations and a map of the Far West. There is a serviceable index. There are fifteen chapters bearing such titles as "Conquerors of Sun and Sand," "The Inland Empire," "Where Rolls the Oregon," "Clinching the Rivets of Empire." The style is racy and the printing seems perfect. The author says he has "no desire to usurp

the guide-book's place." Of course he has done much more than to compile a guide-book. He has made a descriptive book that should inspire thousands of readers with an impelling wish to see the Far West.

BUFFALO BILL AND THE OVERLAND TRAIL. By Edwin L. Sabin. (Philadelphia, Lippincott, 1914. Pp. 347. \$1.25.)

This volume is written for boys of all ages from fifteen to ninety. Besides a story in which a fictitious person is introduced as principal character a chronology is included giving the principal events in the life of William Frederick Cody, better known as "Buffalo Bill."

A WANDERER'S TRAIL. By A. Loton Ridger. (New York, Holt, 1914. Pp. 403. \$3.)

The author of this book came from London to San Francisco in the year 1907 and travelled up the Coast as far as Alaska and the Klondyke. About one fourth of the book is devoted to his impressions of the Pacific Coast of America. Never having lived in this country he brings the enthusiasm of first experience to his observation. The result is a readable account of Pacific Northwest travel.

DIARY OF NELSON KINGSLEY, A CALIFORNIA ARGONAUT OF 1849. Edited by Frederick J. Teggart. (Berkeley, University of California, 1914. Pp. 179.)

The period from February 8, 1849, to March 4, 1851, is covered by this Journal. It is of value as showing the troubles and experiences of young men of the East who left their homes in "forty-nine" to seek wealth in California. In printing, spelling and punctuation the original has been scrupulously followed. This pamphlet is issued as Volume 3, Number 3, of the Publications of the Academy of Pacific Coast History.

THE FIRST CIRCUMNAVIGATION OF VANCOUVER ISLAND. By C. F. Newcombe, M. D. (Victoria, B. C. King's Printer, 1914. Pp. 69.)

The title-page indicates that this is the initial number of "Memoirs" to be issued from the Archives of British Columbia. The promise is a wholesome one and all will await future numbers with interest.

The author of this Memoir is a physician who in the prime of life is